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The Bridge Bible Fellowship

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1 Peter 1:10-12

“Stand Up & Stand Out!”

“Heavenly Hope” Part 3

I. Salvation (1:1-12)

A. Heaven Given (1-2)

B. Heaven Guaranteed (3-5)

C. Heavenly Worship (6-9)

D. Heavenly _____ (10-12)

1. Hope from _____ Prophets (10-12a)

2. Hope from _____ & _____ Evangelists / Apostles (12b)

3. Hope from _____ / _____ Angels (12c)

Discussion & Application:

1. Share a **specific opportunity** you had this week to Stand Up & Stand Out for Jesus. How did others react? Is there anything you would do differently next time?
2. Has strong negative reactions to your faith in Jesus ever made you **doubt** if it's true? Have you ever thought your suffering might be because God is upset with you for believing something that is false? What did (should) you do to overcome those doubts and fears?
3. What does Peter say about Old Testament **prophets** that helps us know they didn't make up what they said? (See also 2 Peter 1:20-21) How does the way they reacted to the messages they were given strengthen our faith and empower us to stand up and stand out for Jesus?
4. Why did the religious leaders in Jesus' day reject Him? What did they fail to understand about what the prophets wrote about the Messiah? What specific passages in the Old Testament speak of the **sufferings** of Christ? What passages speak of the **glory** to follow?
5. How does understanding the suffering of Jesus followed by glory encourage believers to stand up and stand out for Him? What passages of Scripture strengthen your resolve to live for Jesus no matter what the cost?
6. Spirit-filled **evangelists** (Acts 1:8) proclaimed the gospel to Peter's readers in detail ("announced; preached" – 1 Pet. 1:12). If you had to explain the **gospel** in 1 minute or less, what details would you include? If you had 10 minutes or more, what other details would you include?
7. Why do **angels** long to investigate the salvation of men? Why is it so fascinating to them? (See Heb. 2:14-17; Ex. 25:17-20; Eph. 3:8-10; 1 Tim. 5:21) What role do angels play in our salvation? (See Acts 7:52-53; Gal. 3:9; Heb. 1:14; 2:2; Lk. 16:22)
8. Do believers have **guardian angels**? (Mt. 18:10; Acts 12:15; Ps. 91)
9. Who is the author of Hebrews referring to when he talks about a "**great cloud of witnesses**" (12:1)? How does having a great cloud of witnesses encourage us to keep running the race of faith all the way to the finish line? Pick one of the people in Hebrews 11 and study their life this week. Let their faith inspire you to Stand Up & Stand Out for Jesus.
10. MEMORIZE **1 Peter 1:10-12**. If you memorize the entire book of 1 Peter by the time Pastor Paul finishes preaching through it, he will give you a relatively valuable prize.

[Words for blanks: *Witnesses; Consumed; Committed; Compelled; Curious / Captivated*]